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Attorney for applicant wishes to bring the Examiner's attention to the following cited references: 4,931,223; 6,007,994 and 5,817,462 which were disclosed through the International Search Report dated September 6, 2000. Attorney has provided copies of these three references as well as additional prior art documents.

None of these items discloses the inventive concepts claimed in the subject application.

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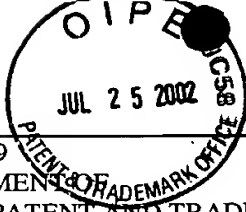
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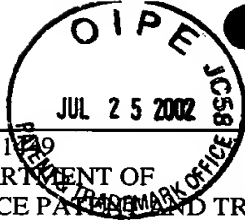
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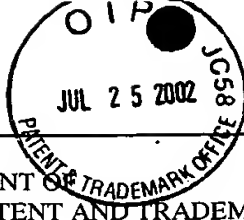
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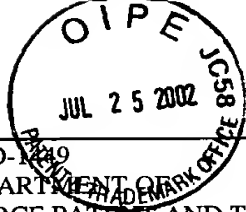
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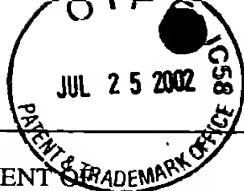
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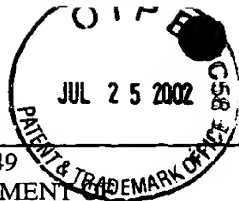
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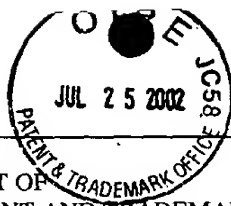
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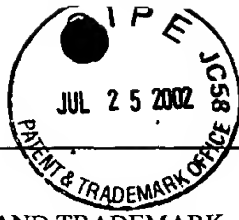
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